Payment of Perks to Managerial Staff of M/s. Peico Electronics and Electricals Limited (Philips India)

2301. DR. SHANTI G. PATEL: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M/s. Peico Electronics and Electricals Limited (Philips India) have been persistently violating the restrictions on perks to managerial staff;

(b) whether Government have received any complaints from the Employees' Union in this regard;

(c) if so, whether Government have looked into these complaints; and

(d) if the answer to part (c) above be in the affirmative, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARIF MOHAMMAD KHAN): (a) The company was inspected in 1981. The said inspection did not reveal any violation of the restrictions on the perks to managerial staff.

(b) to (d) Recently, the Philips Employees' Union have made representations enclosing there with a booklet containing copies of several letters written by the Union to the company and certain press cuttings alleging, *inter alia*, certain mal-practices adopted by the management of the company in the areas relating to *Housing loans to Executives*, Investments in Flats, Leasing of flats by Executives of the company and acquisition of company's products by Executives of the company at a very low price. The Union, which was asked to indicate specific allegations, if any, coming within the ambit of the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956, duly supported by evidence has, however, not furnished any reply so far and as such no further action has been taken in the matter.

Post Office building in Aizawal

2302. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are constructing a new building for Post Office in Aizawal;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what was the amount allocated for the construction and the amount spent so far; and

(d) by when the building is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Yes, Sir. A three-storeyed building for Head Post Office in Aizawal is under construction.

(b) Administrative Approval and Expenditure Sanction for Rs. 14,91,400 was issued on 31-3-78. Work was started on 24-12-80. 70 per cent of the work is completed.

(c) Amount spent till March 1985 Rs. 7,56,660. Amount allocated for 1985-86 Rs. 5 lakhs.

(d) Building is likely to be completed by March, 1986.

Reduction in prices of Metronidazole and Metronidazole Benzoate

2303. SHRI SYED RAHMAT ALI: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the prices of Metronidazole and Metronidazole Benzoate were reduced;

(b) if so, when and what is the present price of each drug;

(c) whether the prices of formulations based on these drugs have also been reduced;

(d) if so, earlier prices and reduced prices of each pack and strength;